

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application is a PTO/SB/08 Equivalent listing 7 references to be considered by the Examiner. Also enclosed are 2 foreign patent references and/or non-patent literature as listed on the Information Disclosure Statement. These references include Applicants' co-pending applications: 10/884,017 (U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2005/0125021 A1), 11/415,659 (U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2006/0200188 A1) and 11/415,764 (U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2006/0200189 A1). Applicants direct the Examiner to these references, and to their associated prosecution histories, for the Examiner to consider whether the subject matter claimed, as well as the associated prosecution histories, may be relevant to the patentability of the present application (e.g., for reasons of obviousness-type double patenting). Applicants note in particular the noted Office Actions and Amendments. Applicants believe that the Examiner has access to these pending applications and the file histories through the Patent Office (e.g., the IFW system). Accordingly, Applicants have not provided a copy of the application or the file histories, but would be happy to do so, now or in the future, should the Examiner so request.

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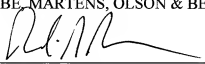
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known) Example: 1,234,567 B1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	1	U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2006/0036276 A1	02-16-2006	Thanh Van Nguyen et al.	
	2	U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2006/0142795 A1	06-29-2006	Thanh Van Nguyen et al.	
	3	U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2005/0125021 A1 (U.S. App. No. 10/884,017, our reference: ONSET.002CP1), including its prosecution history	06-09-2005	Edward J. Nance et al.	
	4	U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2006/0200188 A1 (U.S. App. No. 11/415,659, our reference: ONSET.2CP1C1), including its prosecution history, the Office Action mailed January 10, 2007, the Amendment filed June 11, 2007	09-07-2006	Edward J. Nance et al.	
	5	U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2006/0200189 A1 (U.S. App. No. 11/415,764, our reference: ONSET.2CP1C2), including its prosecution history, the Office Action mailed January 8, 2007, the Amendment filed June 8, 2007	09-07-2006	Edward J. Nance et al.	

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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	6	International Search Report mailed October 28, 2005 for International Application No. PCT/US2004/040651 filed December 3, 2004.	
	7	International Preliminary Report on Patentability issued June 7, 2006 for International Application No. PCT/US2004/040651 filed December 3, 2004.	

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